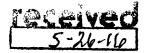


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May 20, 2016

Mr. Carl Nielsen Chairman, Board of Trustees Lorain Port Authority 319 Black River Lane Lorain, OH 44052

Dear Mr. Nielsen:

On behalf of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), I am pleased to congratulate you and confirm that the Lorain Port Authority was selected as one of the entities EPA will begin negotiations with to award a cooperative agreement for an assessment grant. The Lorain Port Authority submitted an outstanding grant proposal, and we deeply appreciate the tremendous commitment of time and energy that went into its preparation.

Through the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act of 2002, EPA is working to help states and communities around the country clean up and revitalize brownfield sites. We fully expect that these brownfield projects will provide benefits to the environment and economy of local communities. Matt Didier, your Regional Brownfields Contact, will work closely with the Lorain Port Authority to negotiate the cooperative agreement prior to the grant award. Please contact Matt Didier at 312-353-2112 or didier.matthew@epa.gov.

Again, congratulations on being selected! We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

David R. Lloyd, Director

Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization

cc: Matt Didier